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IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT ON MEASURES,  
OCT. 28, 1974 (SCC-IV-021)

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF COMMISSIONER GRAYBEAL'S STATE-  
MENT MAKING POINTS CONTAINED STATE 233650 WITH RESPECT  
TO SEPTEMBER 3, 1974 SOVIET SS-9 TEST/OVERSHOOT.

QUOTE

STATEMENT BY COMMISSION GRAYBEAL ON IMPLEMENTATION  
OF AGREEMENT ON MEASURES

OCTOBER 28, 1974

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MR. COMMISSIONER, IN MY STATEMENT OF OCTOBER 3, 1974,  
I EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE THE U.S. ATTACHES TO THE AGREE-  
MENT ON MEASURES TO REDUCE THE RISK OF OUTBREAK OF NUCLEAR

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WAR BETWEEN THE USA AND THE USSR, WHICH WAS SIGNED AT

WASHINGTON ON SEPTEMBER 30, 1971. IN THAT STATEMENT I ADDRESSED ONE ASPECT OF THAT AGREEMENT, NAMELY, IMPROVED PROCEDURES AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE REPORTING OR NOTIFICATION OF SOME EVENTS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLES 2,3,4 AND 5 OF THE MEASURES AGREEMENT. UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, THE U.S. COMPONENT OF THE SCC PROPOSED THAT THE SCC BEGIN CONSIDERATION OF ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM OF PRE-AGREED MESSAGES WHICH WOULD PROMOTE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT ON MEASURES. ON OCTOBER 25, 1974 THE SOVIET COMPONENT OF THE SCC OFFICIALLY REPLIED THAT IT HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO DISCUSSING THE QUESTIONS OF PRE-ARRANGED MESSAGES ON ACTIVITIES NEEDED TO REDUCE THE NOTIFICATION TIME REQUIRED IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY SITUATION.

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TODAY, MR. COMMISSIONER, THE U.S. SCC COMPONENT, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, WOULD LIKE TO RAISE ANOTHER ASPECT OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON MEASURES.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES NOTES THE LAUNCHING BY THE USSR, ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1974, OF A STRATEGIC BALLISTIC MISSILE IN THE DIRECTION OF U.S. TERRITORY, TO A POINT OF IMPACT SEVERAL HUNDRED MILES NORTHEAST OF MIDWAY ISLAND.

ARTICLE 4 OF THE AGREEMENT ON MEASURES REQUIRES ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF PLANNED MISSILE LAUNCHES, IF SUCH LAUNCHES WILL EXTEND BEYOND THE NATIONAL TERRITORY OF THE LAUNCHING STATE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE OTHER PARTY -- WHICH WAS, IN FACT, THE CASE ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1974.

THE FLIGHT AND IMPACT OF THE MISSILE ENTAILED A HAZARD TO UNITED STATES AIRCRAFT AND SHIPPING.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES EXPECTS PROMPT NOTIFICATION, THROUGH APPROPRIATE CHANNELS, OF ANY FUTURE EVENTS OF THIS NATURE.

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MR. COMMISSIONER, THE U.S. ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE AGREEMENT ON MEASURES, AND WE ASSUME THAT THE USSR ATTACHES SIMILAR IMPORTANCE TO THIS AGREEMENT. IT IS IN THIS CONTEXT THAT THE U.S. RAISES THE FOREGOING POINTS WITH REGARD TO THE LAUNCHING BY THE USSR ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1974, OF A STRATEGIC BALLISTIC MISSILE IN THE DIRECTION OF U.S. TERRITORY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

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